BEFORE THE POSTAL RATE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

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VAL-PAK DIRECT MARKETING SYSTEMS, INC.
AND VAL-PAK DEALERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.
SECOND INTERROGATORIES AND REQUESTS FOR
PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS TO UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
WITNESS HERBERT B. HUNTER III (VP/USPS-T4-4-6)
(October 30, 2001)

Pursuant to sections 25 and 26 of the Postal Rate Commission rules of practice, Val-Pak Direct Marketing Systems, Inc. and Val-Pak Dealers' Association, Inc. hereby submit interrogatories and document production requests. If necessary, please redirect any interrogatory and/or request to a more appropriate Postal Service witness.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with Section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

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October 30, 2001

VP/USPS-T4-4.

Please assume that the Postal Service receives a Standard ECR mailing consisting of detached address labels ("DALs") and unaddressed flat-shaped "wraps."

- a. For any portion of the mailing, does the Postal Service count the number of DALs to verify that they are equal to the number of pieces shown on Form 3602?
- b. For any portion of the mailing, does the Postal Service count the number of wraps to verify that they are equal to the number of pieces shown on Form 3602?
- Please assume that the number of DALs should happen to exceed the number of wraps.
 - (i) Would the basis for computing the postage be the number of DALs or the number of wraps?
 - (ii) Under the circumstances envisioned here, would the volume recorded by the RPW system be the number of DALs or the number of wraps?
 - (iii) What would the Postal Service do with the DALs for which there were insufficient wraps?
- d. Please assume that the number of wraps should happen to exceed the number of DALs.
 - (i) Would the basis for computing the postage be the number of DALs or the number of wraps?

- (ii) Under the circumstances envisioned here, would the volume recorded by the RPW system be the number of DALs or the number of wraps?
- (iii) What would the Postal Service do with the extra unaddressed wraps?

VP/USPS-T4-5.

Please confirm that, when the Postal Service receives a Standard ECR mailing consisting of DALs and unaddressed flat-shaped "wraps," the RPW System attributes all revenues from that mailing to flats. If you do not confirm, please explain how the revenues are recorded.

VP/USPS-T4-6.

Please assume that the Postal Service receives a Standard ECR mailing consisting of, say, 1 million DALs and 1 million unaddressed flat-shaped "wraps."

- a. Does the RPW System record the DALs as 1 million letter-shaped pieces? If not, what record, if any, is made of the volume of DALs?
- b. Does the RPW System record the wraps as 1 million flat-shaped pieces?
- c. Does the RPW System record the weight of the DALs and wraps combined, or does the RPW system record only the weight of the wraps? Please explain.